

Original. the late Expedition to Egg Harbour. They are destroying their fortification which puts it out of doubt that they do not mean to hold that Island this Winter.

I should be obliged to you Sir to inform me whether the State has any cloathing for their officers. Their wants are great and distressing, and unless they are supplied it will be out of their power to continue in the Service. Some of them, I am told are at this time so circumstanced, that unless they have speedy relief it will be impossible for them to do their Duty. To purchase out of their pay would leave them pennyless for eight months in the year. A Suit of Cloaths will cost them seven or eight months pay, and when obtained will not last them above five months; in this way many of them have spent their patrimonies and unless they can now find some resources in the public Benevolence, they must leave a service in which they can no longer exist. If there are any measures which can be fallen upon, in which I can be of Service I should be happy in affording every assistance in my power. Would it not be a desirable thing to know the real State of the officers by sending some person to Camp for that purpose. The men I expect will be provided for; fifteen thousand compleat suits I am told are now on the way to camp, and material sufficient in hand to cloath the whole Army.

I am Sir with great respect to you and the Council

Your obd^t and h^{ble} Serv^t

J. Henry Jun^r

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Wednesday 28. October 1778

Present as on yesterday

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to William Nevin one hundred and ninty pounds, thirteen shillings and seven pence per Acc^t passed by the Aud. Gen^l

That the said Treasurer pay to Capt John Rogers one hundred and forty one pounds, two shillings and four pence Balance of Acc^t passed by the Aud. Gen^l

Pardon granted to John Morris of Baltimore County condemned for Horse Stealing

Thursday 29 October 1778

Present as on yesterday

Ordered that the western shore Treasurer pay to Capt John Smoot Twenty one Pounds, ten shillings & ten pence per Acc^t passed by the Aud. Gen^l